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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

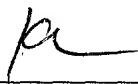
- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
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- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$1447.
 - \$1287 for 143 total claims over 20.
 - \$160 for 4 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1867.**

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The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Appl. No. 09/839,574; Filed: April 23, 2001
For: **Compositions and Methods for *in vivo* Delivery of
Polynucleotide-Based Therapeutics**
Inventors: Manthorpe *et al.*
Our Ref: 1530.0180002/EKS/EJH

Sir:

In reply to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application--Filing Date Granted," dated June 18, 2001, Applicant(s) submits the following documents for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. PTO Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/17;
2. Authorization To Treat A Reply As Incorporating An Extension Of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) (*in duplicate*);
3. Copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts;
4. Original Declaration, executed by the inventors;
5. An original executed Power of Attorney from Assignee;

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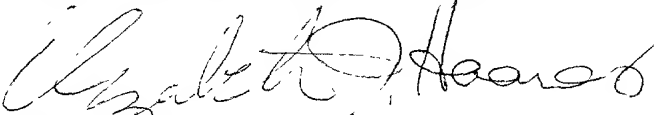
6. Assignee 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement with copy of Assignment attached (*not for recordation*);
7. Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1, 2A, 2B, 2C-2D, 3, 4A-4C, 5A-5C, 6A-6F, 7A-7B, 8, 9A-9B, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16A-16B, 16C, 16D, 17A-17B, 18, 19A, 19B, 20A, 20B, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26);
8. Return postcard; and
9. Our Check No. **31963** for **\$1,827.00** to cover:
\$ 355.00 Filing Fee for Patent Application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)
\$ 1,407.00 Fee for excess claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)
\$ 65.00 Surcharge for late filing of Declaration (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)

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Respectfully submitted,

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